## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

**Docket No.: ED-2015-ICCD-0032** 

Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; Pell Grant Reporting under the Common Origination and Disbursement (COD) System

AGENCY: Department of Education (ED), Federal Student Aid (FSA)

**ACTION:** Notice

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 3501 *et seq.*), ED is proposing an extension of an existing information collection.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [insert the 60th day after publication of this notice].

ADDRESSES: Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a> by selecting Docket ID number ED-2015-ICCD-0032 or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. If the regulations.gov site is not available to the public for any reason, ED will temporarily accept comments at <a href="https://www.regulations.gov">ICDocketMgr@ed.gov</a>. Please note that comments submitted by fax or e-mail and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted; ED will ONLY accept comments during the comment period in this mailbox when the regulations.gov site is not available. Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, LBJ, Mailstop L-OM-2-2E319, Room 2E103, Washington, D.C. 20202.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Beth Grebeldinger, 202-377-4018.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to

the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner;

(3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity

of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this

collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written

comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Pell Grant Reporting under the Common Origination and Disbursement (COD) System

OMB Control Number: 1845-0039

Type of Review: An extension of an existing information collection.

Respondents / Affected Public: Private Sector, State, Local and Tribal Governments

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 8,488,842

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 594,219

Abstract: The Federal Pell Grant program is a student financial assistance program authorized under the

Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended. The program provides grant assistance to an eligible student

attending an institution of higher education. The institution determines the student's award and disburses

program funds on behalf of the Department of Education (ED).

Institutions are required to report student Pell Grant payment information to ED electronically. Electronic

reporting is conducted through the Common Origination and Disbursement (COD) system. The COD

system is used by institutions to request, report and reconcile grant funds received from the Pell Grant

program.

Dated: March 17, 2015.

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